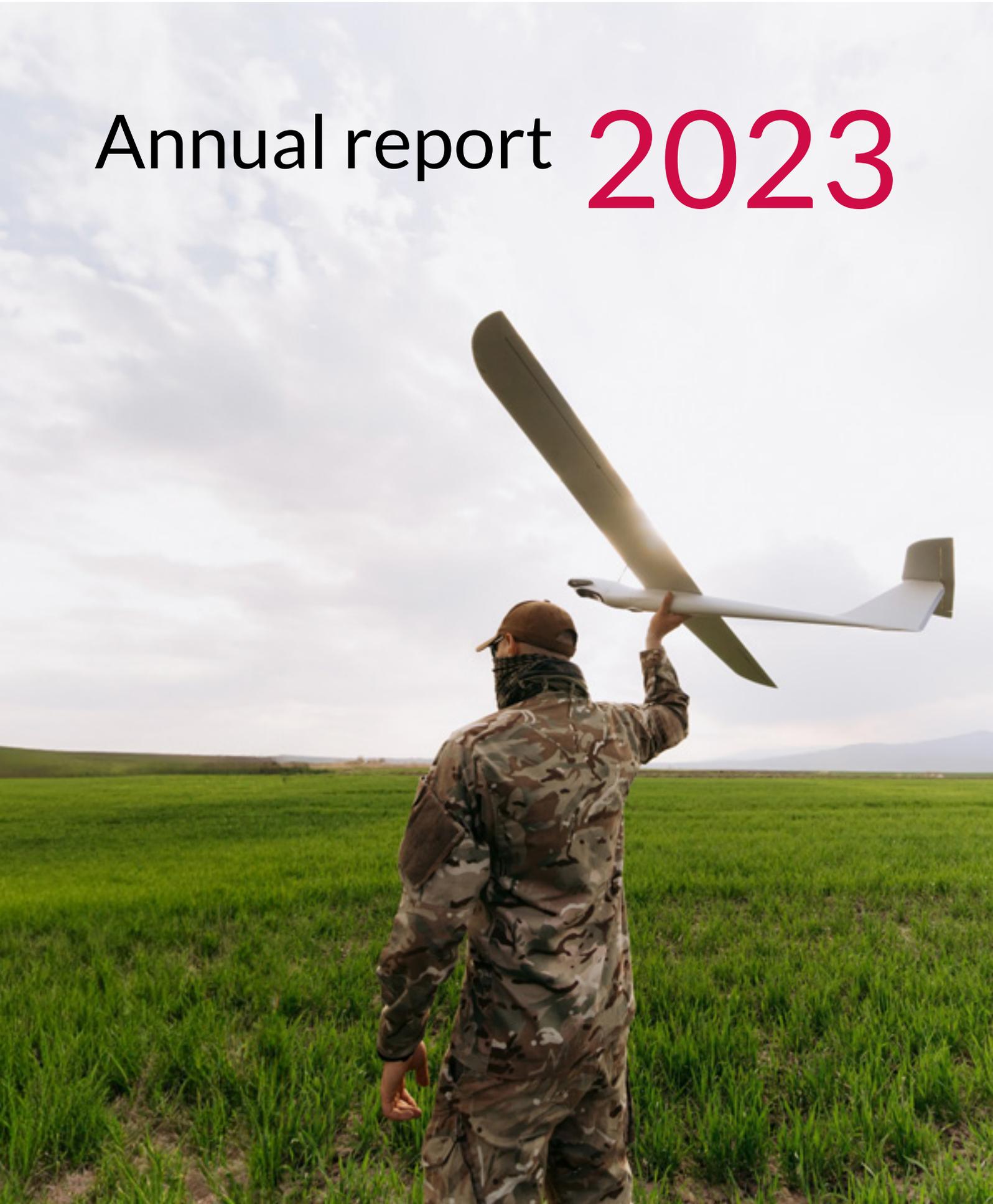




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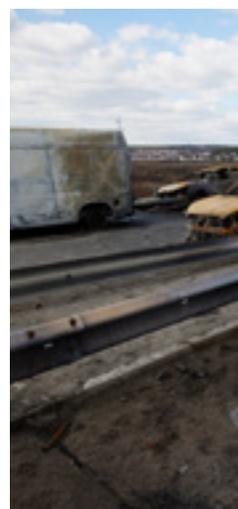


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Navigating a Fractured World

This past year has not been an easy one. Following Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine in 2022, 2023 was marked by the unprecedented Hamas terrorist attack and Israel's disproportionate military response. These developments, alongside other armed conflicts, the escalating climate crisis, and the rapid advance of AI and other emerging technologies, are just a few examples of the increasingly complex and uncertain context in which international and European law must operate.



For the T.M.C. Asser Instituut, this year also brought significant internal challenges. Following the departure of Prof. Janne Nijman in June 2022 and during the search for a new Academic Director, Managing Director Gert Griff, assisted by the strand coordinators, doubled his efforts to lead the institute throughout 2023. At the end of the year, I was appointed Acting Academic Director, joining Gert as a member of the Executive Board.

Despite these (organisational) challenges, both researchers and support staff alike demonstrated remarkable resilience and commitment, continuing their essential work and implementing the Asser Strategic Research Agenda as well as the covenant with the Law Faculty of the University of Amsterdam.

We live in difficult geopolitical times, and feelings of anger, frustration and powerlessness are entirely understandable. This is why I am proud to be part of the Asser Institute team, whose role in this context should not be underestimated. Our mission is to contribute to the development of international and European public and private law, and our unique position in The Hague at the intersection of academia and practice, enables us to do so in diverse and meaningful ways. Our contribution is made through publications in leading academic journals and books (including those published by T.M.C. Asser Press), capacity-building initiatives, and valorisation activities informing public debate.

For example, similar to what had been done following the Russian full-scale invasion in 2022, and responding to events in real time, in December 2023, we hosted an event to explore and assess the international legal landscape of the Israel-Palestine conflict, examining the scope of the right to self-defence, questions of targeting, as well as avenues for accountability, with a particular emphasis on the crime of starvation.

Our flagship activity – the Annual T.M.C. Asser Lecture which saw its eighth edition this year – also merits particular mention. The lecture was delivered by Michael Fakhri, UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food, in the Academy Hall of the Peace Palace on 20 April. In his talk titled 'The right to food, violence, and food systems', Mr Fakhri examined forms of violence in food systems, offering new perspectives on how these systems operate and how to reframe the way the right to food is addressed in international law.

Further examples of our diverse range of activities can be found in this annual report, which presents an overview of a small selection of our work.

I hope that you, like me, will be impressed by the positive impact and added value of the Asser Institute, as we continue to work together towards a more just world.

Christophe Paulussen,
Acting Academic Director
T.M.C. Asser Instituut

About the T.M.C. Asser Instituut

Established in 1965 as an inter-university institute, the T.M.C. Asser Instituut is an internationally renowned research centre for international and European law. The Institute is an independent foundation closely affiliated with the University of Amsterdam (UvA).

Located in The Hague, the 'international city of peace and justice' and in the vicinity of many international institutions, diplomatic missions and government ministries, the Institute exercises strong convening power and attracts legal experts from around the world. In doing so, it has established itself as a location where critical and constructive reflection on international and European legal developments takes place and actively disseminates knowledge through publications as well as training programmes and other events.

The Asser Institute strives for excellence in its research and academic education and has a strong sense of societal responsibility. In the coming years, it will continue to be the vanguard institute for the UvA Law School in The Hague and will continue to actively promote the collaboration with and between Dutch law schools facilitating their collaboration in research networks, projects and knowledge dissemination activities.

Our mission

Our mission is to contribute to the development of international and European public and private law. We achieve this by:

- **Independent legal research:** We conduct fundamental, policy-oriented, and applied legal research in international and European public and private law.
- **Knowledge dissemination:** We initiate and facilitate academic and expert meetings, provide (professional) education, and host public events aimed at disseminating knowledge of international and European public and private law. We further share our legal knowledge by adding to the public debate.



Our vision

We envision a world in which local, national and transnational public interests are protected and promoted by international and European public and private law. We believe that critical reflection provides the insights needed to take effective action on global challenges.

Our values

The Asser community is a public-spirited community that is committed to excellence, integrity, inclusivity, and public values.



Research strand

In the public interest: accountability of the state and the prosecution of crimes

This research strand examines individual and collective state accountability and the prosecution of individuals for international and transnational crimes, all within the framework of public interest standards. It also investigates how non-state actors, including journalists, media, NGOs, and academics, promote these standards to ensure both state accountability and effective prosecution.

Key Publications

Book Chapter

Rule of law and constitutionalisation of memory politics in Hungary and Russia

In his chapter 'Rule of law and constitutionalisation of memory politics in Hungary and Russia' in the book Rule of Law in Crisis-Constitutionalism in a State of Flux (edited by Martin Belov, Routledge 2023), Ulad Belavusau focused on the rise of memory

laws in Hungary and Russia throughout the 2010s. According to Ulad Belavusau, Russia not only stirred up major memory wars in the region but also uses memory laws as a fake justification for the war against Ukraine.

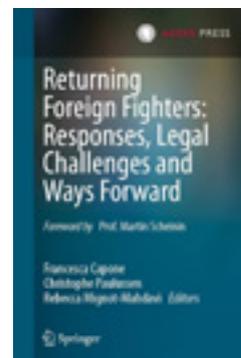


Book

Returning foreign fighters: Responses, legal challenges and ways forward

Edited by Francesca Capone (Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Istituto DIRPOLIS, Pisa), Christophe Paulussen and Rebecca Mignot-Mahdavi (University of Manchester) and published by Asser Press. In his foreword, former UN Special Rapporteur on human rights and counterterrorism, Martin Scheinin from the University of Oxford wrote: "This excellent collection of eleven expert studies on

the phenomenon of foreign (terrorist) fighters allows the interested reader to gain a thorough understanding of the phenomenon and the policies and measures undertaken by the international community and individual states to combat it. Historical, political, jurisdictional, evidentiary, judicial, punitive, administrative, humanitarian and many other aspects of the matter are carefully examined by the skilful authors. The individual chapters



have been expertly edited by a strong editorial team and thereby integrated into a book that will prove a rewarding reading experience."

Article

Criminal responsibility by omission for failures to stop autonomous weapon systems

In this article for the Journal of International Criminal Justice, Marta Bo asks whether a failure to stop an autonomous weapon

system (AWS) from launching an unlawful attack constitutes a war crime. The article advocates for the adoption of an additional

treaty obligation to enforce human control over AWS, aiming to ensure accountability in the face of potential unlawful attacks.

Key Events

Annual meeting

Closing plenary of the American Society of International Law (ASIL) 2023 annual meeting

The closing plenary, sponsored by the Municipality of The Hague and organised by the Asser Institute, is a highlight of ASIL's annual meeting. This year's session, coordinated and moderated by Christophe Paulussen, examined accountability

for atrocity crimes under the title 'Pursuing global accountability for atrocity crimes: Needs, challenges and the path forward'. Speakers included David Vaughn (USAID Ukraine Justice for All Activity), Ivana Hrdlicková (Judicial Academy,

Czech Republic, and former President of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon), Susana SáCouto (American University Washington College of Law, War Crimes Research Office) and Beth Van Schaack (U.S. Department of State).



Lecture

Supranational Criminal Law (SCL) Lecture 'Pursuing accountability for the crime of aggression against Ukraine'

In this SCL lecture, co-organised by the Ukrainian Embassy in The Hague and the Asser Institute's International Humanitarian and Criminal Law Platform, and supported by The Hague Municipality, international legal experts examined mechanisms for ensuring accountability for the crime of aggression against Ukraine, including the possible

establishment of a special tribunal and what form it should take. The event was moderated and organised by Christophe Paulussen and the speakers included H.E. Mr. Oleksandr Karasevych (Ambassador of Ukraine to The Netherlands), Dr Anton Korynevych (Ambassador-at-Large of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine), Prof. Larissa

van den Herik (Grotius Centre for International Legal Studies at Leiden University), Prof. André Nollkaemper (Amsterdam Law School, University of Amsterdam), Dr Astrid Reisinger Coracini (Dept. of European, International and comparative law, University of Vienna) and Dr Owiso Owiso (International lawyer and independent consultant).

Lecture

SCL Lecture 'Navigating the international legal landscape of the Israel-Palestine conflict'

In this SCL lecture, moderated and organised by Christophe Paulussen, international experts discussed the 7 October 2023 attack by Hamas and the response by Israel. The conflict, which is affecting thousands of innocent civilians and has dominated the news, has stirred strong emotions and raised concerns about misinformation. To provide an informed perspective on these critical issues, the speakers – Prof. Terry Gill (University of Amsterdam), Prof. Helen Duffy (Leiden University) and Yousuf Syed Khan J.D. LL.M (Global Rights Compliance) – delved into various international legal aspects of the Israel-Palestine conflict.



Workshop

Countering terrorism and violent extremism in the public interest

Organised by Romyana van Ark, Tarik Gherbaoui and James Patrick Sexton, the workshop on countering terrorism and violent extremism in the public interest convened researchers who are addressing the pressing issues in this field to share, discuss and develop their work. The research will ultimately be published in a T.M.C. Asser Press book.



Policy-oriented Research

New Database

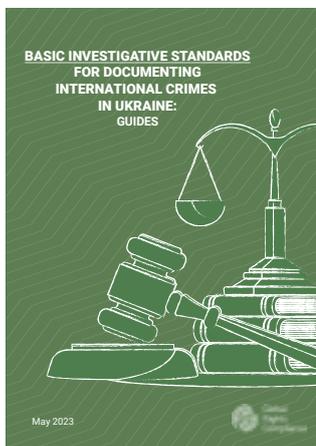
The Foreign Terrorist Fighters (FTF) Knowledge Hub

The newly launched FTF Knowledge Hub is an independent database with comprehensive information on Foreign Terrorist Fighters. The Hub, aimed at policy makers, practitioners, academics, journalists and students, contains quantitative and qualitative data on FTFs who have joined terrorist or violent extremist groups in Syria and Iraq, in particular ISIL/Da'esh.



Launch

Basic investigative standards for documenting international crimes in Ukraine



The Asser Institute launched the 'Basic Investigative Standards for Documenting International Crimes in Ukraine' (BIS-Ukraine), a unique toolkit aimed at supporting the work of civil society organisations, human rights defenders and other practitioners documenting international crimes in Ukraine. The BIS Manual was

developed as part of the MATRA-Ukraine project, Strengthening Ukraine's Capacity to Investigate and Prosecute International Crimes, which is led by Global Rights Compliance and the Asser Institute, and funded by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Law Clinic

Access to justice for gun violence

Led by León Castellanos-Jankiewicz, the international law clinic project on 'Access to Justice for Gun Violence' was launched

as part of UvA's Amsterdam International Law Clinic organised in cooperation with the Asser Institute and the Mexican

Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The pro bono clinic addressed gun violence from the standpoint of European legislation and human rights law.



Societal Impact

Capacity Building

Ukrainian judges and prosecutors

As part of the MATRA-Ukraine project *Strengthening Ukraine's Capacity to Investigate and Prosecute International Crimes*, a delegation of Ukrainian judges

and prosecutors visited the Netherlands to take part in a series of events. During these activities, the practitioners benefitted from capacity-building

support to investigate, prosecute, adjudicate and report on international crimes.

Training

Prosecuting international crimes in Africa

A group of 25 judges and public prosecutors from French-speaking African countries gathered at the Institute for the 6th edition of the training programme on

international and transnational criminal law. This high-level course, jointly organised by the Asser Institute, the Antonio Cassese Initiative, and the

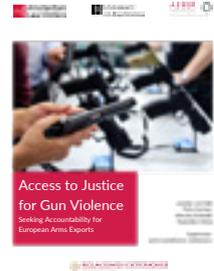
International Nuremberg Principles Academy and funded by NUFFIC, aims to enhance domestic legal capacities in prosecuting international and transnational crimes.

Op-ed

Justice for gun victims harmed by European weapons

An op-ed written by León Castellanos-Jankiewicz and published in the Dutch daily NRC has prompted parliamentary

questions (*kamervragen*) addressed to the Dutch government about its arms export policies.



Interview

How Israel uses AI to select bombing targets in Gaza

In an article in the UK daily The Guardian Marta Bo warned about the risks of over-reliance on

systems that can unduly influence complex human decisions-making.



New Research and Projects

International task force for crimes against journalists

The Asser Institute and the Center for International Criminal Justice at Vrije Universiteit (VU) Amsterdam's Faculty of Law launched a research project to examine the feasibility of creating an international investigative task force to address abuses against journalists. Funded by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs and under the leadership of Gabrielė Chlevickaitė, the study assessed the practicability of such a task force, and whether it could fill existing gaps in investigative capacity and political will to ensure accountability.



Misuse, Diversion and Abuse of Arms Exports in Latin America

Led by León Castellanos-Jankiewicz, this project seeks to strengthen civil society in Latin America in addressing the

misuse, diversion and abuse of arms exports through rigorous supply-chain documentation and investigation, providing human

rights training, and conducting advocacy with government and industry stakeholders. For this project, the Asser Institute partnered with Global Rights Compliance and the Center for Advanced Defence Studies (C4ADS), as well as with the Guatemalan civil society organisations Diálogos and Fundación Myrna Mack, which specialise in security policy and human rights.





Research strand

Regulation in the public interest: Disruptive technologies in peace and security

This research strand examines the development of the international regulatory framework governing the military use of disruptive technologies and the arms race in both conventional and non-conventional weapons. The overarching framework for this research is the public interest in peace and security.

Key Publications

Article

Human/Machine(-Learning) Interactions

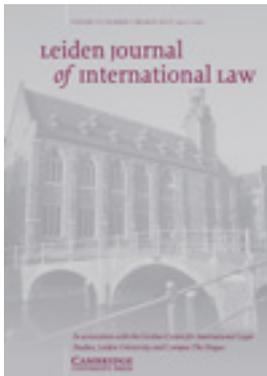
In an article for a special issue of Global Society, Taylor Woodcock explores how decision-support systems (DSS) influence legal reasoning in military targeting. International Humanitarian Law (IHL) requires commanders to

assess the proportionality of an attack – whether the expected incidental harm to civilians and civilian objects would be excessive in relation to the anticipated military advantage.



Article

Seizing stateless smuggling vessels on the Mediterranean High Seas



In an article for the Leiden Journal of International Law, Thea Coventry argues that recent European Union anti-smuggling operations – most notably Operation Sophia – have reinterpreted the Migrant

Smuggling Protocol's ambiguous term 'appropriate measures' in a way that permits states parties to exercise enforcement jurisdiction over stateless smuggling vessels at sea.

Article

Model of a Military Autonomous Device Following International Humanitarian Law

In an article for the journal Ethics and Information Technology, Jonathan Kwik and co-authors

introduce a computational control framework designed to ensure that AI-driven military

autonomous devices operate within the constraints of IHL targeting rules.

Key Events

Conference

Designing International Law and Ethics into Military Artificial Intelligence (DILEMA) 2023 Conference



On 12-13 October 2023, the DILEMA Project convened a conference on the complex interdisciplinary challenges posed by military applications of AI, attracting nearly 100 participants. The event provided a broad forum for dialogue on both theoretical and practical questions related to military AI and featured the latest research from the fields of law, ethics, computer science, and other fields.

Conference

Panel discussion at Responsible AI in the Military Domain (REAIM) Summit

At this major international diplomatic conference, Berenice Boutin and colleagues convened a high-level, interdisciplinary, multi-

stakeholder discussion on the pressing and complex issue of DSS and human-machine interaction. The session examined how the

use of military DSS shapes the relationship between humans and technology.

Seminar

Doctoral seminar on Arms Control

The Doctoral Seminar Series on International Arms Control Law, an initiative of the Asser Institute's Arms Control Law Hub, offers selected early-career researchers insights into current

and emerging challenges in arms control from the perspective of international law and related disciplines. The seminar focused on arms control and emerging disruptive technologies.



Policy-oriented Research

Statement

The use of artificial intelligence (AI) in the military domain

As part of the DILEMA project, funded by the Dutch Research Council (NWO), the research team published a statement on the

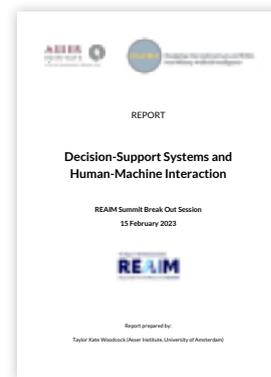
'Global Governance of Artificial Intelligence in the Military'. The statement offers international policymakers suggestions and

recommendations on how to address the complex challenges posed by the design, development, and use of AI in the military domain.

Report

Policy suggestions following REAIM conference

Following the REAIM conference, Berenice Boutin and the DILEMA team published a report on Decision-Support Systems and Human-Machine Interaction.



Roundtable

International Governance of Military AI

The DILEMA project hosted a roundtable on 'International Governance of Military AI: The Way Forward' which examined ongoing international and regional initiatives for the governance of military AI and explored how existing legal regimes can guide its development and acquisition.





Research strand

Transnational public interests: constituting public interest beyond and below the state

This research strand explores how public interests shape and are shaped by actors both below and beyond the state. It examines the roles played by non-state actors, including corporations, NGOs, as well as entities such as the European Union, in constituting and operationalising public interests in a transnational context.

Key Publications

Article

Assembling the Private and the Public Through Human Rights Due Diligence

In an article for the Nordic Journal of Human Rights, Antoine Duval examines the background of human rights due

diligence (HRDD), with particular attention to how Prof. John Ruggie envisioned the interaction between public and private

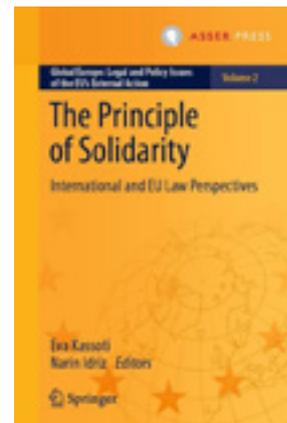
actors. Duval emphasises the importance of transparency and public participation in the HRDD process.

Book

The Principle of Solidarity: International and EU Law Perspectives

A new edited volume in the Global Europe Series (T.M.C. Asser Press) edited by Eva Kassoti and Narin Idriz explores the principle of solidarity in international and EU law. Although regularly

invoked in international and EU legal and policy debates, the concept's meaning, nature, functions, and normative contours still remain vague.



Book

Mega-Sporting Events and Human Rights

Co-edited by Daniela Heerdt, the Routledge Handbook brings together leading international researchers, practitioners and advocates to introduce key human rights concepts and analyse

how they relate to ethical, social, managerial and governance issues in contemporary mega-sporting events (MSEs), addressing a range of topics from inclusion and welfare to corruption and sustainability.

Key Events

Conference

The EU as a regional international organisation

The Asser Institute and the Amsterdam Centre for European Studies (ACES) convened a conference entitled 'The EU as a Regional International

Organisation (RIO)'. Prof. Jan Klabbers (Helsinki University) delivered a keynote address on 'The Phenomenology of the RIO'.



Workshop

The EU and international diplomatic law and politics

This Jean Monnet workshop facilitated an in-depth discussion of how EU diplomacy is perceived worldwide and what lessons

the EU can learn from these perspectives. Experts from different strategic partners, including Australia, Brazil,

Canada, China, Singapore, and South Africa, were convened to examine EU diplomacy through their respective lenses.

Workshop

How football changed Qatar (or not)

This workshop examined the debates around the 2022 Qatar World Cup focusing on the interpretation and application of international human rights law and international labour law, as well as the activation of related legal processes at both the international level (the International Labour Organization) and the transnational level (the Swiss OECD National Contact Point).



Policy-oriented Research

Report

The potential of big data technologies for the due diligence process

A new project investigated the potential of big data technologies in the context of the human rights and environmental due diligence process for the Deutsche Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) resulting in the first report on this issue.



Project

European Social Charter for Sport Events



A consortium of eight partners supported by the European Commission under the Erasmus+ programme completed a three-year project and developed a European Social Charter for Sport Events. The Charter aims to ensure that sport events held in the European Union generate social benefits for the local communities and, more broadly, for all those affected by them.

Special Issue

Addressing the legal questions surrounding the EU's strategic autonomy

As editors of a new special issue for the European Foreign Affairs Review, Eva Kassoti and Prof. Ramses A. Wessel (Groningen

University) have compiled a comprehensive legal analysis of the notion of strategic autonomy. The issue addresses both general

considerations and specific policy areas including EU defence-industrial spending, sanctions, and data autonomy.



Research strand

Public interests and practices within international and European institutions

This research strand examines how public interests both shape and are shaped in the institutional practices of international and European courts, such as the International Court of Justice (ICJ) and the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR), as well as organisations such as the United Nations (UN) and the World Trade Organization (WTO).

Key Publications

Article

The European Court of Human Rights and Its Search for Common Values

The article published in the European Convention on Human Rights Law Review demonstrates the expertise of Carl Lewis

with theoretical analysis of first principles for practical application. It has been widely accessed and read at a moment

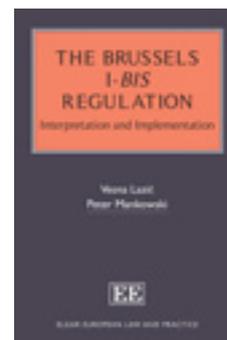
of concern for the identification of common values in European institutions.

Book

The Brussels I-bis Regulation – Interpretation and Implementation

The book by Vesna Lazić and the late professor Peter Mankowski provides a comprehensive and rigorous analysis of the jurisprudence and relevant case law of the Court of Justice of the

European Union as related to the Brussels I-bis Regulation. As such, it presents a detailed tool for the understanding and application of the Regulation, as well as a roadmap for its future.

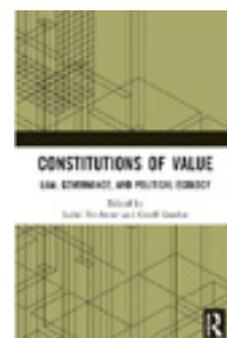


Book

Constitutions of Values

Drawing on innovative theoretical approaches, the book edited by Isabel Feichtner (University of Würzburg) and Geoff Gordon, examines law's central role in institutions of value production and valuation. It challenges

mainstream efforts to redeem these institutions and aims beyond radical critique to open up the possibility of imagining and enacting new and different value practices.



Article

Digital sovereignty, digital infrastructures, and quantum horizons

This article written by Geoff Gordon and published in AI & Society analyses opportunities and challenges in exercising

sovereignty in cutting-edge digital infrastructure ecologies, an area of high geopolitical concern.

Key Events

Panel

Can law restrict power? The international legal order in global governance

Why does international law matter, even to the most powerful actors in our global order? This discussion, led by Dr Alain Germeaux, Principal Legal Adviser

to the Luxembourg Ministry of Foreign Affairs, reflected on the importance of international law and its influence on the behaviour of even the most powerful actors

of our global community. The event was introduced by H.E. Mr. Mike Hentges, Ambassador of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to the Netherlands.

Workshop

Delineating the Scope of application of the Brussels I-bis Regulation and the Insolvency Regulation

Vesna Lazić of the JUDGE TRUST Project (funded under the Civil Justice Programme) delivered a presentation on 'Delineating

the Scope of application of the Brussels I-bis Regulation and the Insolvency Regulation', at the European Commission's EJM-civil

plenary meeting in Brussels on 20 April 2023.

Book launch

Constitutions of Value: Acumen and Prognoses

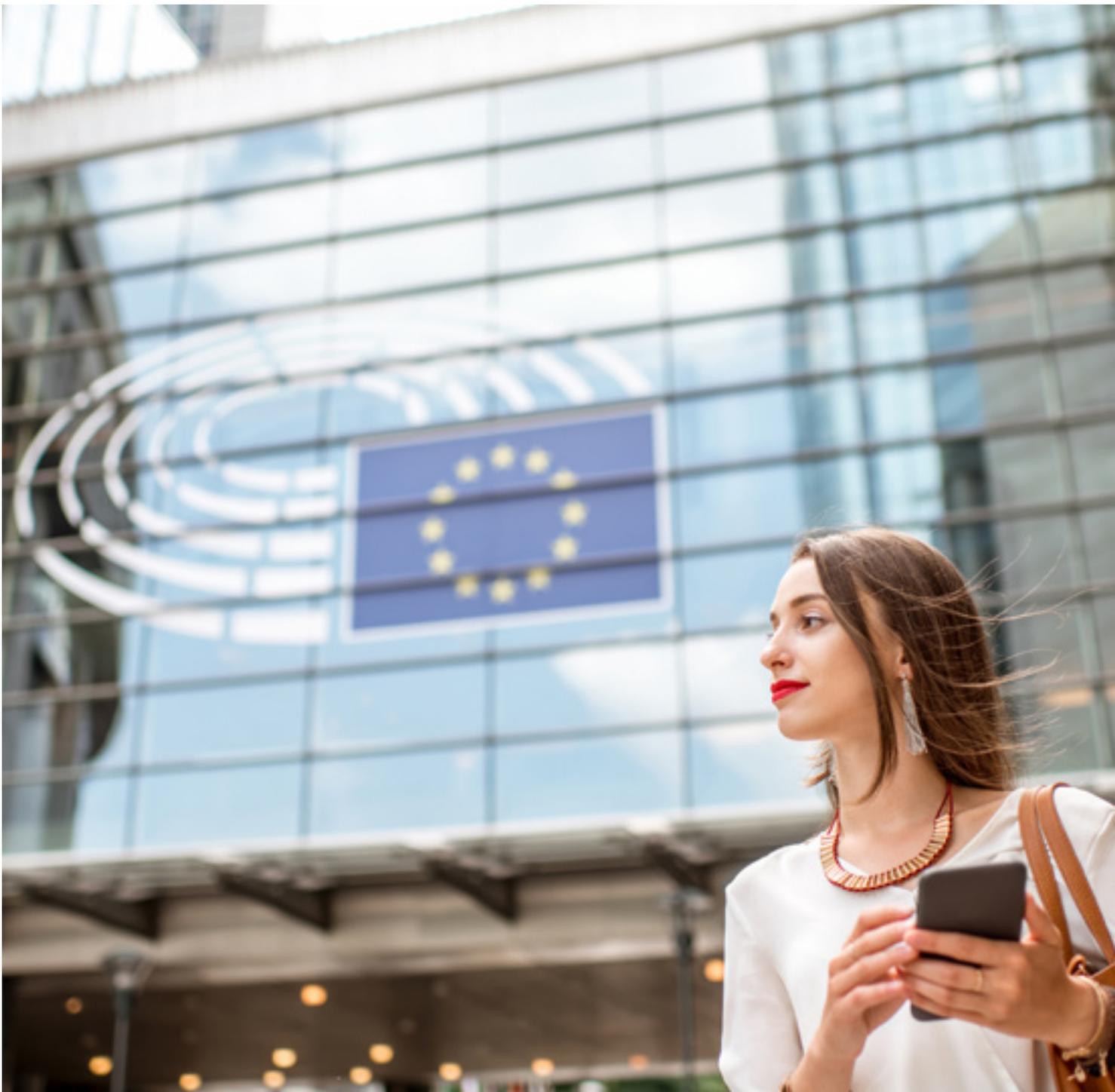
On 24 November 2023 a high-level workshop was held at the University of Copenhagen to discuss the book *Constitutions of Value* (see above) and explore future directions for addressing issues and practices of value production.



Policy-oriented Research

Vesna Lazić's work constitutes an ongoing engagement with current policy questions concerning consistent, Europe-wide Brussels I-bis Regulation application in European conflicts-of-laws contexts. Carl Lewis has interrogated the adequacy of contemporary

international law for topical questions of rights ranging from sporting events to new technologies. Geoff Gordon has examined constructions of sovereign power and value production in ecologies of new technologies, including digital infrastructures.





Research in focus

T.M.C. Asser Instituut's PhD programme

The T.M.C. Asser Instituut's PhD programme trains researchers to work at the cutting-edge of international law by conducting independent research situated at the interface of academia and practice. The interdisciplinary programme offers close contact between supervisors and PhD researchers, professional training, and collaborative theoretical and methodological support to assist PhD researchers in developing their dissertations. The Asser Institute also serves as a hub for inter-university PhD networks.

In 2023, two PhD researchers participated in the programme. [Taylor Kate Woodcock](#) examined the implications of military artificial intelligence under international humanitarian law and international human rights law. [Klaudia Klonowska](#) studied the interactions of humans and AI-enabled decision-support systems in the military decision-making process and its consequences for human agency and judgment under international humanitarian and human rights law.

Visiting research fellowship programme

The Asser Institute welcomes visiting researchers and legal practitioners from around the world, providing a place in which they can pursue their own research project while taking active part in the Asser community. In 2023, three visiting researchers joined the visiting research fellowship programme. Julia Mullert worked on '*Mapping EU Member State Approaches to Foreign Fighter Returnees*'; Nadia Perrone researched

'Sustainable enterprise and accountability: the influence of soft law in the creation of a socially responsible corporate'; and Omar Piñango, a Shelter City Fellow (please see below), investigated 'Judiciary and legal matters concerning Venezuela and the ICC'.



Shelter City fellowship programme

Around the world, human rights defenders increasingly face harassment, slander, even physical violence. Justice

& Peace Netherlands' Shelter City programme provides at-risk defenders with safe and inspiring spaces where, over a three-month stay, they can re-energise, receive support and engage with allies to reinforce their local advocacy efforts. As part of its support for the programme, the Asser Institute annually hosts one Shelter City fellow and in 2023, the fellow was Omar Piñango, a Venezuelan lawyer and human rights defender working with the NGO Defiende Venezuela to document crimes against humanity in the country. During his fellowship, he conducted research on the International Criminal Court's 'Venezuela I' investigation.

Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF)

Since January 2016, the Asser Institute has served as the legal representative and host for the GCTF Administrative Unit. The GCTF is a 32-member informal, consensus-based multilateral platform of that mobilises

expertise and resources to reduce global vulnerability to terrorism by developing and sharing practical tools and strategies for prevention, combat, and prosecution.

The Asser Institute provides financial administration and general support to the GCTF, its administrative unit, and various donors and member states. It also contributes its unique research expertise and diverse network to the development and implementation of GCTF outputs, ensuring that all its counter-terrorism work is aligned with the UN Counter-Terrorism Strategy's fourth pillar, which emphasises the complementarity of effective counter-terrorism measures and the protection of human rights.

Nexus on conflict and crime

The Asser Institute's Nexus on conflict and crime is a website that brings together research on international humanitarian law, international criminal law, transnational criminal law and the legal aspects of countering terrorism. It provides a wealth of continually updated information for a diverse audience, including scholars, legal professionals, students, journalists, and the general public. The Municipality of The Hague provides financial support for this project.



We are grateful for the support of the Municipality of The Hague

Collaborative projects advancing justice and international law in 2023

Designing international law and ethics into military AI (DILEMA)

The Designing International Law and Ethics into Military Artificial Intelligence (DILEMA) project is a four-year initiative funded by the Dutch Research Council (NWO) which began in September 2020. The interdisciplinary project examines the legal, ethical, and technical aspects of military AI, with a particular focus on

preserving human agency. Researchers investigate why human control over military technology is crucial, identify specific military functions in which such oversight must be maintained to ensure legality and accountability, and analyse how systems can be technically designed to operate within

established ethical and legal constraints. The project's findings are translated into policy recommendations and technical standards for national and international institutions. The Asser Institute project leader is Berenice Boutin. (Read more on page 17).

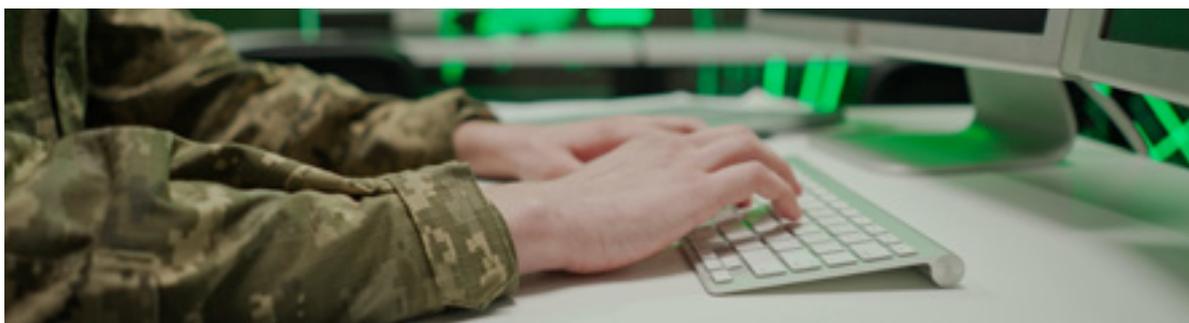
ELSA Lab Defence

The ELSA Lab Defence is a public-private initiative addressing ethical, legal, and societal issues by developing a future-proof, independent, and consultative ecosystem for the responsible use of artificial intelligence (AI) in the defence domain.

The project aims to develop a methodology for context-dependent analysis, design, and

evaluation of ethical, legal and societal aspects of military AI-based applications. Building on existing approaches to value-sensitive design, explainable algorithms and human-machine teaming, the lab also examines how both society and defence personnel perceive the use of military AI, how these perceptions evolve over time, and how they vary across different contexts.

Funded by the Dutch Research Council (NWO) and led by the research organisation TNO, the lab includes the Asser Institute as one of nine consortium members. The Institute is represented by Marta Bo and Jonathan Kwik.



Enabling civil society efforts to address the misuse, diversion and abuse of arms exports in Latin America

Led by the Asser Institute in partnership with Global Rights Compliance, the Center for Advanced Defence Studies (C4ADS), Diálogos, and Fundación Myrna Mack, this project aims

to empower Latin American civil society in combatting the misuse and diversion of arms exports. It focuses on rigorous documentation, investigations and human rights training, helping

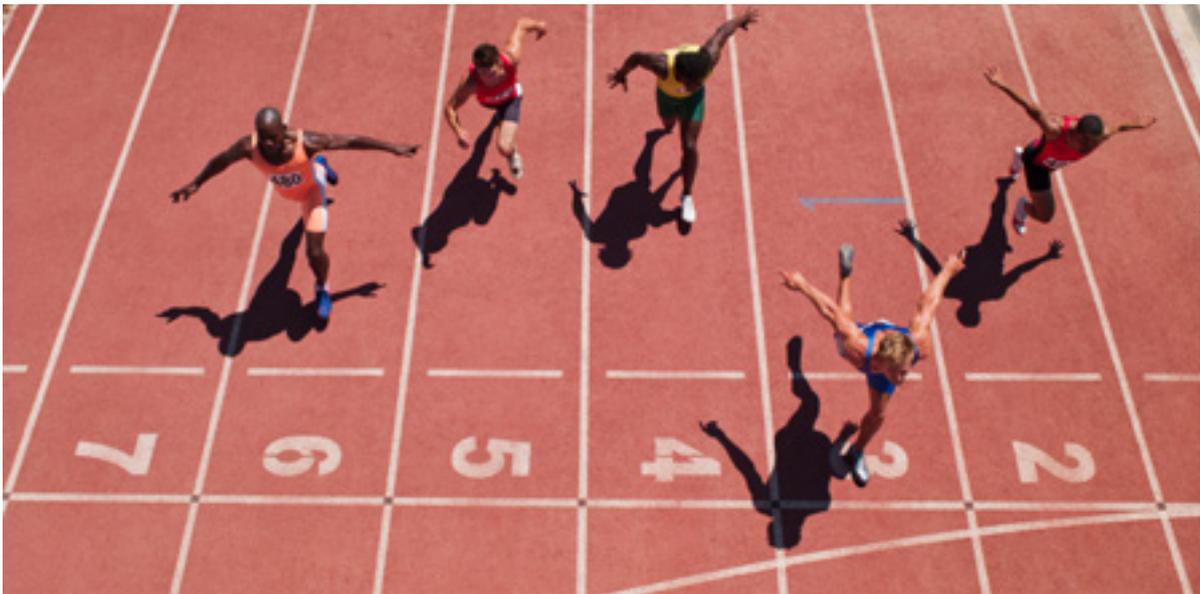
civil society organisations and government stakeholders trace weapons and provides education on strategic litigation. The project is led by León Castellanos-Jankiewicz.

Human rights empowered through athletes’ rights (H.E.R.O.)

The H.E.R.O. (Human rights empowered through athletes’ rights) project, funded by the European Union’s Erasmus+ programme, aims to strengthen the respect, protection and promotion of athletes’ human

rights in sports governance. Led by a consortium of experts, the project will develop a comprehensive roadmap for sport governing bodies, including sports federations, leagues, and professional clubs, to ensure

that athletes’ humans rights are respected. The project is led by Antoine Duval and Daniela Heerdt.



MATRA project

Strengthening Ukraine's capacity to investigate and prosecute international crimes

A joint initiative of the Asser Institute and Global Rights Compliance, this project aims to strengthen Ukraine's capacity to investigate and prosecute international crimes. The project, funded by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and

supported by the Netherlands Ministry of Justice and Security, assists the Ukrainian War Crimes Unit, improves the skills of the judiciary, and empowers civil society organisations, defenders, and victims' representatives. It also enhances cooperation

between government agencies and civil society through public dialogue and networking events, helping stakeholders more effectively combat international crimes and facilitate law enforcement. At Asser, the project is led by Christophe Paulussen (Read more on page39).

Memocracy: Ruling on the basis of memory

The MEMOCRACY project, a collaboration between the University of Cologne, the University of Copenhagen, the Polish Academy of Sciences, and the Asser Institute/UvA, investigates the legal and political ramifications of a culture war

unfolding in Central and Eastern Europe. This conflict is driven by the rise of memory laws and policies that prescribe how national history should be remembered, posing a significant challenge to democracy. The term 'memocracy', coined for this study, refers to 'ruling on

the basis of memory'. Using a transdisciplinary approach, the research team analyses how the emergence of nation-centric memory governance erodes fundamental democratic rights. At Asser, the project is led by Ulad Belavusau.

Private international law in motion 2.0 (PAX 2.0)

The PAX 2.0 project aims to improve the understanding and application of legal instruments in civil justice. It combines an international moot court competition with judicial partnerships and includes teams from non-EU countries in the creation of an online guide for the European Commission on

organising moot courts on EU private international law. Focusing on current issues in EU private international law, the project ensures that students, academics and trainee judges gain up-to-date knowledge. The Asser Institute is one of seven partners in the project, which is coordinated by Antwerp

University and funded by the Justice Programme of the European Union. At Asser, the project is led by Vesna Lazić.



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UvA/ALS cooperation and inter-university activities

The Asser Institute collaborates on its research, education and events with a variety of partners, including the UvA Amsterdam Law School (ALS), other Dutch and international universities, as well as various networks of scholars, experts, and professional societies. These partnerships enable the Institute to share knowledge and resources, reach broader audiences, and ensure its research remains relevant to the international community.

Amsterdam Law School at the University of Amsterdam

In 2020, the Asser Institute and the ALS established a covenant to increase joint research projects in international and European law and to jointly develop new professional education courses.

The covenant is part of a ten-year framework for cooperation between the Asser Institute and the UvA, which entered into force in 2020. Guided by a strong sense of responsibility, both institutions share a strong commitment to advancing knowledge and finding scientific solutions to pressing societal problems.

To create synergy and to consolidate high-quality research, the Asser Institute aligns its multi-annual research plans with the UvA's strategic agenda. Both organisations are working to strengthen multi- and interdisciplinary research, expand funding opportunities, increase the impact of joint research and develop new professional education courses. The UvA has also committed to maintaining its current annual funding in the coming years.

In 2023, collaboration with the UvA Faculty of Law focused on joint research, including projects such as the NWO-funded DILEMA project, and on education. Key developments included greater involvement of Asser researchers in UvA teaching and supervision, integration into UvA's Law Clinics, and joint exploration of a new Executive Master's programme.

The Asser Institute also works closely with UvA research centres, including the Amsterdam Centre for European Law and Governance (ACELG) and the Amsterdam Center for International Law (ACIL), both leading hubs for innovative research in their respective fields.

Stakeholder universities

- University of Amsterdam
- VU Amsterdam
- University of Groningen
- Leiden University
- Maastricht University
- Radboud University of Nijmegen
- Erasmus University Rotterdam
- Utrecht University
- Tilburg University

Inter-university research networks

In 1965, the T.M.C. Asser Instituut was founded by nine Dutch universities with a shared interest in international law. Today, the Asser Institute still actively promotes collaboration between Dutch law schools through research networks such as the Netherlands Network for Human Rights Research (NNHRR), research network CLEER and the IHCL Platform.

Centre for law and EU External Relations (CLEER)

With Eva Kassoti as its academic coordinator, the Asser Institute's Centre for the Law of EU External Relations (CLEER) network provides a platform for discussion and activities that connect researchers and practitioners interested in the EU's actions worldwide.

In 2023, the CLEER network organised several key events, including the CLEER Summer School and a conference on 'The EU as a Diplomatic Actor' in co-operation with EUDIPLO (the Jean Monnet Network on the EU as a diplomatic actor). In addition, Eva Kassoti and Ramses Wessel edited an issue of the European Foreign Affairs Review (vol. 28) titled 'Strategic Autonomy: The Legal Contours of a Security Policy Construct'. The edited issue stemmed from the 2022 CLEER conference on the same topic.



Netherlands Network for Human Rights Research (NNHRR)

With all Dutch law schools participating as institutional members, the Netherlands Network for Human Rights Research (NNHRR) brings together human rights researchers across the country. The Asser Institute is a founding member and serves as the coordinating institution and Leon Castellanos-Jankiewicz is the NNHRR academic coordinator.

In 2023, the University of Groningen hosted the NNHRR Annual Toogdag with the theme 'Looking to the Future: (New) Human Rights'. The two-day event featured a keynote address by Theresia Degener, former Chairperson of the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities as well as a series of thematic research workshops at the intersection of human rights and climate change. The Network's Asser-based coordination team also launched #HumanRightsNow!, a limited series of video interviews with PhD members aimed at highlighting ongoing research projects and showcasing the Network's scholarly output.





The International Humanitarian and Criminal Law Platform (IHCL Platform)

Established in 2010, the Asser Institute's IHCL Platform is an inter-university network that promotes research in international criminal law and international humanitarian law. It provides a forum for discussion on current and emerging legal issues and is coordinated by Christophe Paulussen.

In addition to organising its 12th annual PhD Day on 23 May, the IHCL Platform co-organised several SCL and HILAC lectures (see below for more information). It also supported, in collaboration with the War

Studies Research Centre of the Netherlands Defence Academy, the symposium 'The Conflict in Ukraine: One Year On.' This event, held on 17 March, was organised by the editorial board of the Military Law Review (Militair Rechtelijk Tijdschrift, MRT) and the Kalshoven-Gieskes Forum on International Humanitarian Law at the Grotius Centre for International Legal Studies at Leiden University.



Educational impact: Integrating theory and practice

The Asser Institute's education pillar, which includes university teaching, professional training and global capacity building, expanded its reach in 2023. Our researchers taught and supervised bachelor's and master's courses at leading Dutch universities, including the UvA School of Law, Leiden University and Utrecht University, offering students more than theoretical knowledge. By integrating insights from our international policy-oriented work with institutions and stakeholders in The Hague and beyond, we provide students and professionals with timely, practice-oriented perspectives on current geopolitical developments.





Masterclass

Responding to Human Rights Abuse in Sport: Safe, Effective and Appropriate Investigation – 18-19 January 2023
(in-person at FIFPRO)

This Masterclass drew on real-life challenges from past investigations to provide insight into effective and ineffective responses to reports and allegations of sport-related abuse. It equipped participants with the tools and knowledge needed to address such cases responsibly, protecting those affected, complying with human rights and upholding the integrity of sport.

- **Speakers included (among others):**
 - Kat Craig (CSHR)
 - Alexandra Gómez Bruinewoud (FIFPRO).
- **Coordinator/Researcher:**
Dr Daniela Heerdt
- **Co-organiser:**
CSHR and FIFPRO



Inter-University programme

International Criminal Law for 11 Lebanese Universities – 23 January – 3 May 2023 (online)

The inter-university programme on international criminal law and procedure (IUP) delivers legal education across Lebanon on transitional justice, international criminal law (ICL), and core international crimes.

Established in 2011 by the Asser Institute and the Special Tribunal for Lebanon (STL), the IUP became the first ICL specialisation in the MENA region and a pioneer in online legal education. It is currently jointly run by the Asser Institute, the Human Rights Legal Clinic at La Sagesse University, and IUSTICOM in cooperation with 11 Lebanese universities.

- **Speakers included (among others):**
 - Marina Lostal (ICC and The Hague University of Applied Sciences)
 - Sir David Baragwanath (Appellate Judge and former President Special Tribunal for Lebanon (STL))
 - Reina Sfeir (La Sagesse University)
- **Coordinator/Researcher:**
Dr Christophe Paulussen
- **Co-organisers:**
La Sagesse University and IUSTICOM



Spring Academy
Artificial Intelligence and International Law – 27 - 31 March 2023 (in-person)

The spring academy is an innovative one-week training programme offering insights into current and emerging issues posed by AI from the perspective of international law and related disciplines. Its fifth edition took place in The Hague from 27 to 31 March 2023.

- **Speakers included (among others):**
 - Dr Matilda Arvidsson (University of Gothenburg)
 - Prof. Daniel Mügge (University of Amsterdam)
 - Dr David Reichel (European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights)

- **Coordinator/Researcher:**
Dr Berenice Boutin



Spring Academy
The European Turn to Sustainability Due Diligence: From Concept to Obligation – 03 - 06 April 2023 (in-person)

This spring academy offered insight into the origins and implications of the growing movement toward corporate sustainability due diligence teaching participants how to

navigate the specific features of national due diligence obligations, corporate practices, and how courts and other actors assess these processes. It was held in The Hague from 3 to 6 April 2023.

- **Speakers included (among others):**
 - Dr Klaas Eller (University of Amsterdam)
 - Michael Rice and Kaja Blumtritt (ClientEarth)
 - Dr Caroline Omari Lichuma (University of Luxembourg)
- **Coordinators/Researchers:**
Dr Antoine Duval and Dr Virginie Rouas



MATRA Study Visits for Ukrainian Judges – 20 April 2023 (in-person)

A group of Ukrainian judges visited the Netherlands as part of the MATRA project supporting the Ukrainian criminal justice professionals in investigating, prosecuting, and seeking remedies for international crimes. Hosted by the Asser Institute and USAID, the judges travelled to The Hague to visit institutions such as the International Criminal Court, the Dutch Prosecution Office and Eurojust, among others.

- **Speakers included (among others):**
 - Dr Christophe Paulussen (Asser Institute)
 - Victoria Kerr (Asser Institute)
- **Coordinator/Researcher:**
Dr Christophe Paulussen
- **Co-organisers/subsidy providers:**
USAID and the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Training Programme

International and Transnational Criminal Law in Africa – 3-7 July 2023 (in-person)

Building on the success of earlier editions, the 6th session of the training programme aimed to enhance domestic legal capacities in prosecuting international and transnational crimes. The course equipped judges and prosecutors from French-speaking African countries with the practical skills, tools, and knowledge needed to address international and transnational crimes. It covered core international crimes, such as crimes against humanity and war crimes, as well as transnational offences including human trafficking and terrorism, along with the associated investigation and prosecution processes.

• **Speakers:**

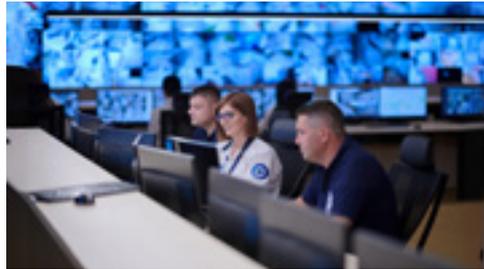
- Julien Antouly (CEDIN, Université Paris-Nanterre)
- Florence Darques-Lane (Global Rights Compliance)
- Prof Robert Roth (Université de Genève)

• **Coordinator/Researcher:**

Dr Marta Bo

• **Co-organisers/subsidy providers:**

NUFFIC Orange Programme, Nuremberg Principles Academy and Antonio Cassese Initiative



Advanced Summer Programme

Advanced Summer Programme on Terrorism, Counter-Terrorism and the Rule of Law – 28 August - 1 September 2023 (in-person)

Our summer programme featured inspiring lectures by leading experts, interactive sessions, in-person study visits to Eurojust and the ICC, as well as panel presentations and group discussions. The programme offered participants valuable networking opportunities with professionals in The Hague and beyond.

• **Speakers included (among others):**

- Prof. Maura Conway (Dublin City University)
- Prof. Kimberley Trapp (University College London)
- Kamal Anwar (UN Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT/UNCCT))
- Dr Bàrbara Molas (ICCT)

• **Coordinators/Researchers:**

Dr Rумыana van Ark Grozdanova & Dr Tarik Gherbaoui

• **Co-organisers/subsidy providers:**

ICCT and the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Training Programme
Disarmament and Non-Proliferation of WMD 2023 – 18 - 22 September 2023
 (in-person)

During this intensive training programme participants received a comprehensive overview of the international non-proliferation and disarmament framework. Renowned experts and practitioners delivered in-depth sessions, prompting active discussion on key issues and current debates in the field. The programme also offered valuable opportunities for professional networking, both with specialists and among the participants themselves.

- **Speakers included (among others):**
 - Prof. Thilo Maruhn (Asser Institute)
 - Dr Niels van Willigen (Leiden University)
 - Dr Eirini Giorgou (International Committee of the Red Cross' Arms and Conduct of Hostilities Unit)
- **Coordinator/Researcher:**
Thea Coventry
- **Co-organisers/subsidy providers:**
OPCW and the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Advanced Professional Training
EU Competition Law and Transnational Sports Governance – 24 - 25 October 2023
 (in-person)

The training offered an in-depth introduction to the application of EU competition law in the context of transnational sports governance. Participants attended specialised sessions examining the various national, European, and transnational judicial and administrative avenues through which competition law claims may be brought against international sports governing bodies. The programme also featured a practical case study, with participants divided into teams to represent different sides of a competition law dispute involving a sports governing body. The training concluded with a round-table discussion with leading experts in EU competition law and sport, who engaged participants in an interactive exchange on expected future developments in the field.

- **Speakers included (among others):**
 - Mark E. Orth (MEO-Law)
 - Prof. Stephen Weatherill (Jacques Delors Professor of European Law)
 - An Vermeersch (Court of Arbitration for Sport)
- **Coordinators/Researchers:**
Prof. Ben Van Rompuy and Dr Antoine Duval

Capacity building programmes in 2023

In 2023, the Asser Institute in collaboration with a range of partners, continued its longstanding commitment to providing tailored capacity-building programmes for judges, prosecutors, policymakers, and other practitioners. The core aim of these initiatives is to improve skills on both existing and emerging topics, such as gender-based crimes, while fostering national and international professional networks and contributing to the development of international and European law.

These efforts were exemplified by the MATRA project 'Strengthening Ukraine's capacity to investigate and prosecute international crimes', a joint initiative with Global Rights Compliance (GRC) funded by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Asser Institute researchers and fellows, together with colleagues from GRC, coordinated and implemented a comprehensive series of trainings and expert engagements designed to strengthen Ukrainian capacity in international criminal law and fair trial standards.

The year 2023 also saw the start of a new capacity building project in Ukraine, funded by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs as well. This project, entitled 'Restoring Dignity and Justice in Ukraine', focuses on advancing accountability for international crimes committed in Ukraine. The project is implemented by the International Development Law Organization (IDLO), in partnership with the T.M.C. Asser Instituut, the Center for International Legal Cooperation (CILC), and the Netherlands Helsinki Committee (NHC). Asser's sub-project will strengthen Ukrainian municipal

law through a series of capacity development activities for legal and justice actors, which will increase their understanding of international humanitarian law and international criminal law, fair trial standards, legislative drafting, digital evidence, and adjudication of conflict-related crimes. Further, the project will improve the literacy of the war crime of starvation for Ukrainian legal practitioners, civil society organisations (CSOs) and humanitarian agencies in the country and enhance niche Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT) capabilities. This project will also support and assist key stakeholders in pursuing strategic universal jurisdiction litigation, and accountability mechanisms for the crime of aggression. Finally, this project will assist government officials in supporting the justice process with training sessions on transitional justice and outreach campaigns to civil society.





8th Annual T.M.C. Asser Lecture

In the 8th Annual T.M.C. Asser Lecture delivered in the Academy Hall of the Peace Palace in The Hague and titled 'The right to food, violence, and food systems,' Michael Fakhri, the UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food, described how food systems not only produce food but also perpetuate forms of violence that increase poverty, vulnerability, and marginalisation. He further noted that these systems depend on a global economy of dependency and extractivism,

contributing to widespread human rights abuses. Using the war in Ukraine as an example, he demonstrated how international markets can amplify rather than mitigate violence and thus turn a regional conflict into a global shock.



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The programme is highly regarded by students and lecturers alike, with one professor describing it as “the best attempt towards reconciliation in Lebanon.” It has trained many students, some of whom have since pursued careers in the field and advanced ICL scholarship by publishing works in Arabic, thereby fostering cross-cultural understanding and enriching the global legal debate.

Lecture series and events

In cooperation with other organisations and colleagues from The Hague courts community, the Asser Institute hosts a wide variety of free lectures and events. These include the CLEER lecture series on EU external action, the SCL series on international criminal law, the HILAC lecture series on law and armed conflict, and activities organised by the International Humanitarian and Criminal Law Platform (already presented above).

SCL Lecture Series on International Criminal Justice

Established in 2003 and co-organised with the Grotius Centre for International Legal Studies of Leiden University (Campus The Hague) and the Coalition for the International Criminal Court, the Supranational Criminal Law (SCL) Lecture Series is a prominent platform to discuss international criminal law.

In addition to the SCL lectures of 21 September (on 'Pursuing accountability for the crime of aggression against Ukraine') and 19 December (on 'Navigating the international legal landscape of the Israel-Palestine conflict'), already presented under the research strand 'In the public interest: accountability of the state and the prosecution of crimes' above, two other

SCL lectures were organised. 'The road to justice: Lessons for Ukraine from the USSR invasion of Afghanistan' was held on 22 June, featuring Victoria Kerr (Asser Institute and REDRESS), Nader Nadery (Asser Institute and Hoover Institution, Stanford University), Richard Bennett (UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Afghanistan) and Dr. Dmytro Koval (National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy and Legal director of Truth Hounds). 'Domestic accountability for international crimes: achieving justice at home' was held on 18 October, featuring Dr Patryk Labuda (Polish Academy of Sciences, Institute of Legal Studies), Dr Marieke Wierda (Deputy Head of Mission and Head of Development Cooperation at the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Yemen) and Dr Philipp Ambach (Chief of the Victims Participation and Reparations Section in the Registry of the International Criminal Court).





HILAC Lecture Series

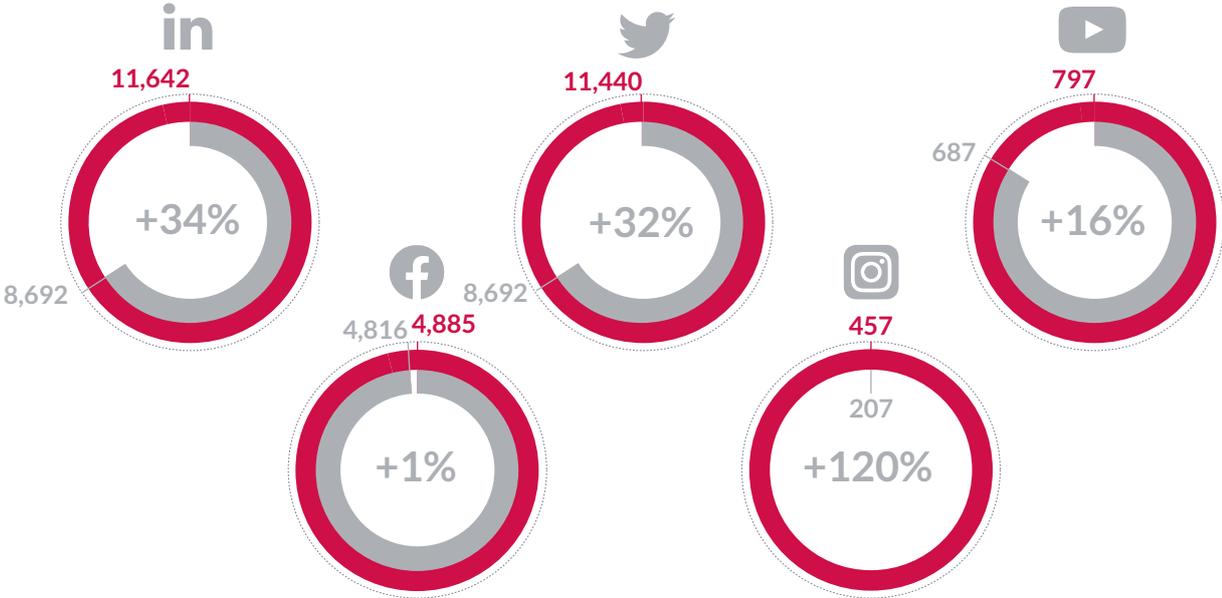
Since 2005, the Asser Institute in cooperation with the Netherlands Red Cross and the UvA Amsterdam Center for International Law has been hosting the HILAC Lecture Series on law and armed conflict.

On 11 December 2023, the HILAC lecture 'New technologies in modern warfare' was delivered by Stavros Pantazopoulos, Rebecca Mignot-Mahdavi (SciencesPo Law School) and Wim Zwijnenburg (PAX).

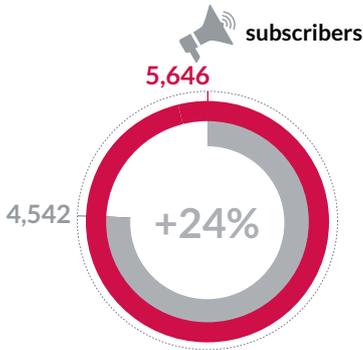
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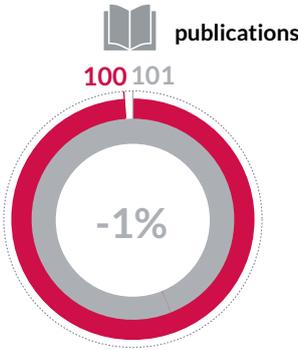
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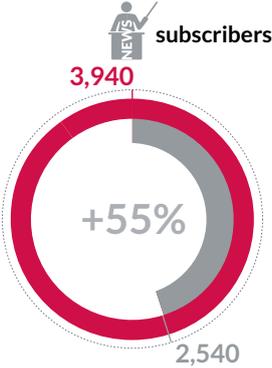
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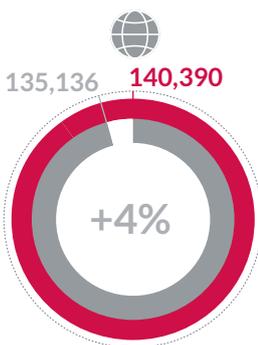
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In 2023, T.M.C. Asser Press published 17 new book titles and 5 journals numbering a total of 18 publications.

Book publications, highlights:

- Volume 52 of the *Netherlands Yearbook of International Law* (2021): 'A Greener International Law – International Legal Responses to the Global Environmental Crisis';
- Two titles in the *Global Europe Series*: 'The Principle of Solidarity – International and EU Law Perspectives', edited by Eva Kassoti and Narin Idriz; and 'Fishing Power Europe – The EU's Normativity in Its External Fisheries Action', a monograph by Mihail Vatsov;
- 'Blockchain and the Law – Dogmatics and Dynamics,' an edited volume published in the *IT&Law Series*. Editors: Francisco Pereira Coutinho, Martinho Lucas Pires and Bernardo Correia Barradas;
- 'Honest Errors? Combat Decision-Making 75 Years After the *Hostage Case*', edited by scholars Nobuo Hayashi and Carola Lingaas;
- The fourth volume of the *European Yearbook of Constitutional Law* (2022), with as central theme: 'A Constitutional Identity for the EU?';

- 'Returning Foreign Fighters: Responses, Legal Challenges and Ways Forward', a collection of chapters, edited by Francesca Capone, Rebecca Mignot-Mahdavi and Christophe Paulussen;
- 'Making Aggression a Crime Under Domestic Law,' a monograph by Annegret Hartig, published in the *International Criminal Justice Series*.

Journals, highlights:

- Issue 2 of Volume 15 of the *Hague Journal on the Rule of Law* (Impact Factor 2.2 - 2022) was a special issue titled 'Towards urban constitutionalism? Exploring constitutional and rule of law challenges in the urban age,' containing eight open access articles;
- Issue 4 of Volume 23 of *The International Sports Law Journal* (Impact Factor 1.1 - 2022) was a special issue titled 'From Superleague to ISU: How the Court of Justice of the European Union Reshaped/Renewed the Relationship between EU law and Sport';
- Twelve open access articles published in the three issues of volume 70 of the *Netherlands International Law Review* (Impact Factor 0.9 - 2022);
- Issue 2 of Volume 24 of the *European Business Organization Law Review* (Impact Factor 2.1 - 2022) was a topical issue on 'Corporate Restructuring Laws under Stress' (EBOR, Volume 24/2, 2023);
- In addition to documenting national and international case law, Volume 41 (2023) of *Nederlands Internationaal Privaatrecht (NIPR)* featured more than 15 original articles on private international law.

Articles published in Asser Press's English language journals are made available on SpringerLink as soon as they are finalised ('Online First'), thereby ensuring the immediate dissemination of the latest

research. A large number of the journal articles were published open access. Articles in NIPR (some in English) are published on www.nipr-online.eu.





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